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## CHICKENS & EGGS

**Maryland:** Laying flocks produced 74 million eggs during August 2001, of which 69 million were table eggs and 5 million were hatching eggs. The average rate of lay was 76 percent. The average number of layers on hand during August 2001 was 3,146,000. On September 1, 2001, 11 percent of the layers in Maryland were being molted and 14.5 percent of all layers had been through a molt.

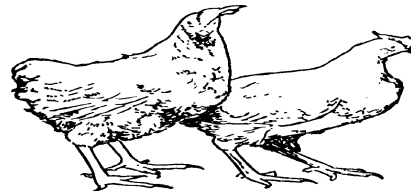
**United States:** Egg production totaled 7.21 billion during August 2001, up 1 percent from last year. Production included 6.12 billion table eggs and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.02 billion were broiler-type and 62.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2001 averaged 322 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during August 2000. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,170 eggs, 1 percent below the 2,181 eggs in August 2000.

Egg-type chicks hatched during August totaled 35.2 million, up 2 percent from August 2000. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.4 million on September 1, 2001, down 3 percent from a year ago. Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 260,000 during August 2001, down 5 percent from August 2000. The August 2001 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 761 million, was up 3 percent from August of the previous year. There were 630 million eggs in incubators on September 1, 2001, up 2 percent from a year earlier. Leading breeders placed 7.49 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during August 2001, up 3 percent from August 2000.

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Item                                  | 2000                        | 2001    | 2001/2000      |
| Eggs Produced During August           | ..... <i>Million</i> .....  |         | <i>Percent</i> |
| U.S.                                  | 7,104                       | 7,206   | 101            |
| Maryland                              | 62                          | 74      | 119            |
| Layers, Average Number During August  | ..... <i>Thousand</i> ..... |         |                |
| U.S.                                  | 325,753                     | 332,129 | 102            |
| Maryland                              | 2,875                       | 3,146   | 109            |
| Eggs / 100 Layers During August       | ..... <i>Number</i> .....   |         |                |
| U.S.                                  | 2,181                       | 2,170   | 99             |
| Maryland                              | 2,157                       | 2,352   | 109            |



## AGRICULTURAL PRICES

Prices received for the month of September were down for most crops. The wheat price decreased eighteen cents to \$2.25 per bushel. The barley price was down six cents to a price of \$1.29 per bushel. Soybeans moved down twenty nine cents per bushel

from last month's price of \$4.65 and corn was down twelve cents to \$2.14 per bushel.

| Commodity       | Unit | Maryland and Delaware |        |        | United States |        |        | Parity Price |
|-----------------|------|-----------------------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|--------------|
|                 |      | SEPT                  | AUG    | SEPT   | SEPT          | AUG    | SEPT   |              |
|                 |      | 2000                  | 2001   | 2001   | 2000          | 2001   | 2001   |              |
| Dollars         |      |                       |        |        |               |        |        |              |
| Wheat, Winter   | BU   | 1.96                  | 2.43   | 2.25   | 2.37          | 2.71   | 2.77   | 9.69         |
| Corn            | BU   | 1.93                  | 2.26   | 2.14   | 1.61          | 1.90   | 1.92   | 6.61         |
| Oats            | BU   | 1.36                  | 1.60   | 1.60   | 0.950         | 1.26   | 1.30   | 3.78         |
| Barley          | BU   | 1.39                  | 1.35   | 1.29   | 1.81          | 2.42   | 2.21   | 6.46         |
| Soybeans        | BU   | 4.71                  | 4.65   | 4.36   | 4.57          | 4.83   | 4.59   | 14.40        |
| All Hay, Baled  | TON  | 119.00                | 117.00 | 130.00 | 83.00         | 97.70  | 98.60  | -----        |
| All Beef Cattle | CWT  | 65.40                 | 71.80  | 76.40  | 65.30         | 70.70  | 70.00  | 159.00       |
| Calves          | CWT  | 88.50                 | 95.20  | 92.50  | 103.00        | 106.00 | 106.00 | 209.00       |
| Hogs            | CWT  | 35.30                 | 45.50  | 40.20  | 41.60         | 50.60  | 45.80  | 103.00       |
| Milk, Fluid MKT | CWT  | 13.90                 | 17.50  | 17.70  | 13.00         | 16.50  | 16.80  | 32.20        |
| Chickens        | LB   | 0.050                 | 0.080  | 0.080  | -----         | -----  | -----  | -----        |
| Broilers        | LB   | 0.345                 | 0.380  | 0.400  | 0.380         | 0.420  | 0.430  | -----        |
| Turkeys, Live   | LB   | -----                 | -----  | -----  | 0.448         | 0.388  | 0.404  | 0.962        |
| Eggs, Market    | DOZ  | 0.516                 | 0.463  | 0.439  | 0.418         | 0.384  | 0.376  | 1.56         |

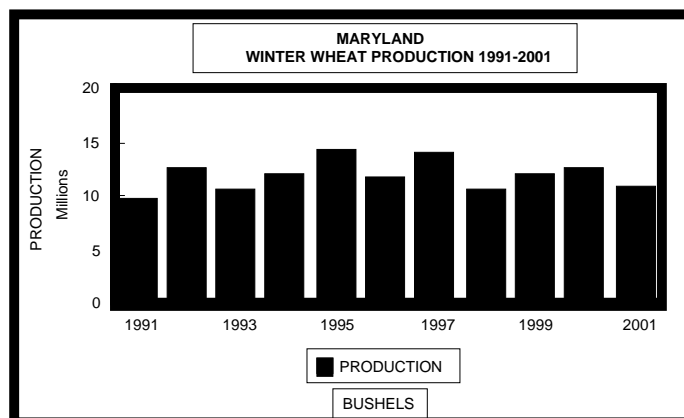
| INDEX OF PRICES RECEIVED                |                              |             |              |
|---|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| INDEX AND RATIOS                        | UNITED STATES 1990 - 92 =100 |             |              |
|   | SEPT<br>2000                 | AUG<br>2001 | SEPT<br>2001 |
| All Farm Products                       | 97                           | 109         | 106          |
| All Crops                               | 97                           | 107         | 103          |
| Feed Grain & Hay                        | 78                           | 96          | 93           |
| Oil- Bearing Crops                      | 84                           | *87         | 84           |
| Fruits & Nuts                           | 115                          | *126        | 121          |
| All Livestock<br>and Livestock Products | 98                           | 111         | 111          |
| Meat Animals                            | 90                           | *100        | 97           |
| Dairy Products                          | 99                           | *126        | 129          |
| Poultry and Eggs                        | 114                          | 120         | 122          |
| Ratio <sup>1</sup>                      | 81                           | 89          | 85           |
| Prices Paid Index                       | 120                          | 123         | 124          |

\* Revised

<sup>1</sup> Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

## SMALL GRAINS

This Small Grains Report is the results of the September Agricultural Survey. We wish to thank the approximately 500 farmers who helped to make this report possible.



**Maryland:** The winter wheat yield for 2001 averaged 63 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year's estimate, and five bushels below the record yield of 68 bushels per acres set in 1997. Winter wheat production for 2001 is estimated at 11 million bushels, roughly thirteen percent less than 2000's production level of 12.6 million bushels. Acreage harvested for grain in 2001 is estimated at 175,000 acres, down 25,000 acres from 2000.

**Barley** production amounted to 3.8 million bushels, down roughly seven percent from 2000's production of 4.1 million bushels. Yield averaged 75 bushels per acre, down 7 bushels from 2000's record high yield of 82 bushels per acre. Area harvested for grain is estimated at 51,000 acres.

**United States:** All wheat production totaled 1.96 billion bushels in 2001, down 2 percent from both the last forecast and 12 percent below 2000. This is the lowest production since 1988. Grain area is 48.7 million acres, down 8 percent from last year and the smallest area harvested since 1972. The U.S. yield is 40.2 bushels per acre, down 1.8 bushels from a year ago.

**Barley** production in 2000 was estimated at 250 million bushels, down 5 percent from the last forecast and 22 percent below last year's estimate. This year's production is the lowest since 1953. Average yield per acre, at 58.2 bushels, is down 2.9 bushels from 2000. The area harvested for grain is estimated at 4.29 million acres, 18 percent below a year ago.

### ACREAGE, YIELD, AND PRODUCTION 2000 - 2001

| Commodity     | Unit | Planted                 |        | Harvested |        | Average Yield |      | Production          |        |
|---------------|------|-------------------------|--------|-----------|--------|---------------|------|---------------------|--------|
|               |      | 2000                    | 2001   | 2000      | 2001   | 2000          | 2001 | 2000                | 2001   |
| Maryland      |      | ----- 1,000 Acres ----- |        |           |        |               |      | ----- 1,000 -----   |        |
| Winter Wheat  | BU   | 220                     | 190    | 200       | 175    | 63            | 63   | 12,600              | 11,025 |
| Barley        | BU   | 55                      | 55     | 51        | 82     | 80            | 75   | 4,100               | 3,825  |
| United States |      |                         |        |           |        |               |      | -----1,000,000----- |        |
| Wheat, Winter | BU   | 43,393                  | 41,078 | 35,072    | 31,295 | 44.7          | 43.5 | 1,566               | 1,361  |
| Barley        | BU   | 5,864                   | 4,967  | 5,213     | 4,289  | 61.1          | 58.2 | 319                 | 250    |

## HOGS AND PIGS

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on September 1, 2001, was 58.6 million head. This was 1 percent below September 2000, but 1 percent above June 1, 2001. Breeding inventory, at 6.16 million head, was down 1 percent from September 1, 2000, and down slightly from June 1, 2001. Market hog inventory, at 52.5 million head, was 1 percent below last year, but 1 percent above last quarter. The June-August 2001 U.S. pig crop, at 25.0 million head, was 2 percent less than 2000, and 3 percent less than 1999. Sows farrowing during this period totaled 2.84 million head, 2 percent below last year. The sows farrowed during this quarter represented 46 percent of the breeding herd. The average pigs per litter was 8.82 pigs saved per litter for the June-August 2001 period, compared to 8.84 pigs last year. Pigs saved per litter by size of operation ranged from 7.40 for operations with 1-99 hogs to 8.90 for operations with more than 5,000 hogs and pigs.

### FARROWINGS: NUMBER OF SOWS, PIG CROP, AND PIGS

#### PER LITTER, UNITED STATES, 1999 - 2001 <sup>1</sup>

| Item                 | 1999                 | 2000   | 2001   | 2001 as % of<br>1999 : 2000 |       |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                      | -----1,000 Head----- |        |        | Percent                     |       |
| SOWS FARROWING       |                      |        |        |                             |       |
| DEC-MAY <sup>2</sup> | 5,877                | 5,683  | 5,593  | 95                          | 98    |
| JUN-NOV <sup>3</sup> | 5,764                | 5,727  | 5,716  | 99                          | 100   |
| PIG CROP             |                      |        |        |                             |       |
| DEC-MAY <sup>2</sup> | 51,519               | 50,087 | 49,140 | 95                          | 98    |
| JUN-NOV              | 50,835               | 50,667 | -----  | -----                       | ----- |
| PIGS PER LITTER      |                      |        |        |                             |       |
| DEC-MAY <sup>2</sup> | 8.77                 | 8.81   | 8.79   | 100                         | 100   |
| JUN-NOV              | 8.82                 | 8.85   | -----  | -----                       | ----- |

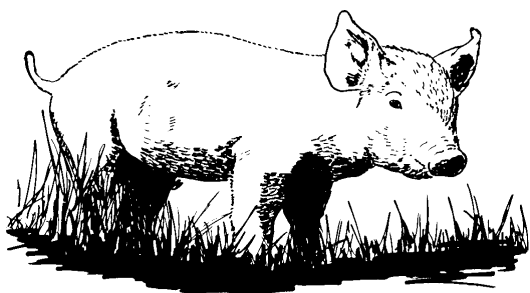
<sup>1</sup>May not add due to rounding.

<sup>2</sup>December preceeding year.

<sup>3</sup>Actual farrowing for June-August plus intentions for Sept-Nov.

### HOGS AND PIGS: INVENTORY NUMBER BY CLASS, SEPTEMBER 1, UNITED STATES, 1999-2001

| Item                  | 1999                 | 2000   | 2001   | 2001 as % of<br>1999 : 2000 |    |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-----------------------------|----|
|                       | -----1,000 Head----- |        |        | Percent                     |    |
| September 1 Inventory |                      |        |        |                             |    |
| All Hogs and Pigs     | 60,776               | 59,495 | 58,642 | 96                          | 99 |
| Kept for Breeding     | 6,301                | 6,246  | 6,158  | 98                          | 99 |
| Market                | 54,474               | 53,250 | 52,484 | 96                          | 99 |



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